where, unless a State documents that the design and operation of an alternative system would be less costly. The Secretary shall establish standards to define the extent of modification of the systems for which payments will be made under either section 2025(a) or 2025(g) of this title.

(D) Implementation

Proposed systems shall meet standards established by the Secretary for timely implementation of proper changes.

(E) Cost effectiveness

Criteria for the approval of a system under section 2025(g) of this title shall include the cost effectiveness of the proposed system. On implementation of the approved system, a State shall document the actual cost and benefits of the system.

(2) Operational reviews

The Secretary shall conduct such reviews as are necessary to ensure that systems—

- (A) comply with conditions of initial funding approvals; and
- (B) adequately support program delivery in compliance with this chapter and regulations issued under this chapter.

(b) Standards for approval of systems

(1) In general

After conducting the review required under subsection (a) of this section, the Secretary shall establish standards for approval of systems

(2) Implementation

A State shall implement the standards established by the Secretary within a reasonable period of time, as determined by the Secretary.

(3) Periodic compliance reviews

The Secretary shall conduct appropriate periodic reviews of systems to ensure compliance with the standards established by the Secretary.

(c) Report

Not later than October 1, 1993, the Secretary shall report to the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate on the extent to which State agencies have developed and are operating effective systems that support food stamp program delivery in compliance with this chapter and regulations issued under this chapter.

(Pub. L. 88–525, §23, as added Pub. L. 101–624, title XVII, §1763(a), Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3805.)

CODIFICATION

November 28, 1990, referred to in subsec. (a)(1)(B), was in the original "the date of enactment of this Act", which was translated as meaning the date of enactment of Pub. L. 101-624, which enacted this section, to reflect the probable intent of Congress.

§ 2033. Repealed. Pub. L. 107-171, title IV, § 4124(b), May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 326

Section, Pub. L. 88–525, $\S24$, as added Pub. L. 104–127, title IV, $\S401(g)$, Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 1027, related to

payments by the Secretary to the Territory of American Samoa for fiscal years 1996 through 2002 to finance expenditures for nutrition assistance program extended under section 1469d(c) of title 48.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Repeal effective May 13, 2002 and applicable beginning on Oct. 1, 2002, see section 4124(c), (d) of Pub. L. 107-171, set out as an Effective Date of 2002 Amendment note under section 2028 of this title.

§ 2034. Assistance for community food projects (a) "Community food projects" defined

In this section, the term "community food project" means a community-based project that requires a 1-time infusion of Federal assistance to become self-sustaining and that is designed to—

- (1)(A) meet the food needs of low-income people;
- (B) increase the self-reliance of communities in providing for their own food needs; and
- (C) promote comprehensive responses to local food, farm, and nutrition issues; or
- (2) meet specific State, local, or neighborhood food and agricultural needs, including needs for—
 - (A) infrastructure improvement and development;
 - (B) planning for long-term solutions; or
- (C) the creation of innovative marketing activities that mutually benefit agricultural producers and low-income consumers.

(b) Authority to provide assistance

(1) In general

From amounts made available to carry out this chapter, the Secretary may make grants to assist eligible private nonprofit entities to establish and carry out community food projects.

(2) Limitation on grants

The total amount of funds provided as grants under this section may not exceed—

- (A) \$1,000,000 for fiscal year 1996; and
- (B) \$5,000,000 for each of fiscal years 1997 through 2007.

(c) Eligible entities

To be eligible for a grant under subsection (b) of this section, a private nonprofit entity must—

- (1) have experience in the area of-
- (A) community food work, particularly concerning small and medium-sized farms, including the provision of food to people in low-income communities and the development of new markets in low-income communities for agricultural producers; or
- (B) job training and business development activities for food-related activities in low-income communities;
- (2) demonstrate competency to implement a project, provide fiscal accountability, collect data, and prepare reports and other necessary documentation; and
- (3) demonstrate a willingness to share information with researchers, practitioners, and other interested parties.

(d) Preference for certain projects

In selecting community food projects to receive assistance under subsection (b) of this sec-